Ahnentafel of Elizabeth Harwell Vernon Wilkins, AAFA @0022

1. **Elizabeth Harwell Vernon** b. Sep 19 1919, m. Jul 10 1960, **Jim E. Wilkins**. Elizabeth died Nov 7 1991. Elizabeth was a founding member #0022 ALFORD AMERICAN FAMILY ASSOCIATION, INC.

Parents

2. William Ewart Vernon b. Dec 20 1884, Crockett Co., TN, m. Oct 24 1909, 3. Elsie Harwell, b. Mar 31 1887, Friendship, Crockett Co., TN, d. May 30 1978, Alamo, Crockett Co., TN, buried: Bellevernon Cem., Crockett Co., TN. William died Sep 12 1973, Friendship, Crockett Co., TN, buried: Bellevernon Cem., Crockett Co., TN.

Grand Parents

William Obdediah Vernon b. May 8 1857, Tennessee, m. Nov 20 1878, in Gibson Co., TN,
Elizabeth W. Alford, b. Apr 27 1857, Gibson Co., TN, d. Jan 27 1903, Friendship, Crockett Co.,
TN, buried: Elizabeth Meth., Crockett Co., TN. William died Aug 20 1926, Friendship, Crockett Co.,
TN, buried: Elizabeth Meth., Crockett Co., TN.

Great Grand Parents

10. **John William Alford** b. Sep 7 1825, Davidson Co., TN, m. (1) Dec 3 1849, in Rutherford Co., TN, **11. Mary E. Bone**, b. about 1832, Illinois, d. Feb 1860, Gibson Co., TN, m. (2) Jan 12 1863, in Gibson Co., TN, Martha Lucinda Elizabeth Booker, b. about 1837, m. (3) Aug 5 1875, Sara E. Vernon. Elizabeth Vernon Alford reported that he and his third wife and family moved to Lawrence County, AR in November 1878 - soon after daughter Elizabeth married.

Great Grand Parents

20. **George Washington Alford** b. Feb 11 1794, Amherst Co., VA, m. Feb 21 1825, in Williamson Co., TN, **21. Mary B. Hill**. George died Aug 18 1834, Davidson Co., TN. AAFA has a copy of his obituary.

3rd Great Grand Parents

40. **John Alford** b. May 8 1760, Frederick Co., VA, m. Mar 2 1783, in Amherst Co., VA, **41. Elizabeth Bibb**, b. Nov 20 1758, Amherst Co., VA, d. Jul 4 1822, Davidson Co., TN, buried: Alford Cem, Brentwood, Davidson Co., TN. M: Register of Marriages, Amherst County, Virginia. William Bibb and Robert Wright listed as security and witnesses. John died Apr 24 1837, Nashville, Davidson Co., TN, buried: Alford Cem, Brentwood, Davidson Co., TN. He was definitely the eldest son- see comments on Thomas below. Names of children and their birth dates are from the John Alford Bible.

4th Great Grand Parents

80. William Alford b. about 1738, Virginia, m. about 1758, in Frederick Co., VA, 81. Letticia "Letty", d. Jun 26 1823. Some think her surname was Clark but there is nothing to support that. Her

death: TENNESSEE BIBLE RECORDS, VOL III, 1961, By Knoxville Chapter, DAR pages 78-83. Reprinted AAFA ACTION Vol XI No 2 (No 42) Fall 1998 pgs 66-71 William died about 1808, Nelson Co., VA. The family had moved to Amherst County, by 1767.

5th Great Grand Parents

160. **John Alford** b. 1696, m. **161. Mary** ______, d. after 1758, Frederick Co., VA ??. John died 1748, Frederick Co., VA.

Nothing is really KNOWN about John's birth date or place. While he died in Frederick County he was probably present in Orange County from which Frederick was made in 1735. He made his will Nov 13, 1748 and it was admitted to probate January 4, 1748 so he died within that period of less than 60 days.

He was first found in Orange Co., VA in 1735. Frederick Co. was formed from Orange and Augusta in 1738. __ Lynn Shelley email 8/24/99

He was fairly young when he died because all of his children were under 19 and the wording of the will suggested the wife might remarry.

The late Mrs. Tressie Bowman reported that he was the son of John Alford and Elizabeth. That would be the John who died 1702 in Dorchester County, Maryland, whose will dated October 20, 1702 was probated November 11, 1702 and is filed in Box 1, Folder 6 Dorchester/Carolina Co., MD wills-1702. Other children of John and Elizabeth Alford were Matthais and Joseph.

John and Matthias were the executor's of the older John Alfords will. Son John is, according to Mrs. Bowman, supposed to have married Mary Dawson 1717 in Dorchester County, MD. [later proved that Mary Dawson married Edward Alford.] Matthias married Celeninor Godward and Joseph married 1735 Margaret Richardson.

Mike Heazel, AAFA #0664 has a theory that would make the subject the probable grandson of this John & Elizabeth Alford. AAFA member Joe Alford, #1058 has a similar theory- showing the subject to be the son of Matthais Alford who was the son of John & Elizabeth. Perhaps continued research will reveal evidence needed to prove a connection.

If and when any credibility can be proven to this connection the data will be take out of this note form and the Alfords entered as subjects in the Genealogy.

Lynn Shelley, AAFA research leader, gives the following reasons for placing John as the first child: (1) He is listed first in the will. (2) He got 2 horses, 1 Negro and the still which is to help support his mother, others only got 1 horse (except Priscilla). (3) John gets inheritance at age 19 or marriage of mother; others get theirs only at their marriage. (4) At marriage of mother, John becomes responsible for siblings' inheritance. (5) John's age - not yet 19 - only one mentioned. If others were older, wouldn't they support mother, be executors, etc. (6) 1754 Frederick County Deed indicates John is acting on behalf of siblings, William and Acquilla, who it is assumed were still underage. (7) William votes in Frederick County, in 1761 but not in 1758- had he just turned 21- or was he just then a landowner?

AAFA has a copy of his will.

At a Court continued and held for Frederick County on Wednesday the 4th day of January 1748 Mary Alford Administratrix of John Alford Deceased together with John Harman Isaac Pennington and Edward Sniggers? her security Acknowledged in open court this their bond for the said Mary her true and faithful Administration of the said Deceaseds Estate which was admitted to record.